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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: FR, OVIP (BOURGES, YVON), MILI

SUBJ: PROPOSED INVITATION TO MOD BOURGES TO VISIT US

REF: SECDEF 5056 DTG 130533Z SEP '77

1. ON SEPTEMBER 23 AND 26 POL/MIL OFFICER DISCUSSED PROPOSED INVITATION, WHICH HAD BEEN CONVEYED EARLIER BY DATT, WITH DANIEL CONTENAY, DIPLOMATIC ADVISOR TO MINISTER BOURGES. CONTENAY STATED THAT BOURGES IS PLEASED AND INTERESTED IN SUCH A VISIT. CONTENAY HOPES THAT A DECISION WILL BE REACHED AND CONVEYED TO US BY THE END OF THIS WEEK.

2. CONTENAY, WHO WAS TO DISCUSS THE VISIT WITH BOURGES ON SEPTEMBER 26, SAID THAT DESPITE BOURGES' INTEREST IN VISITING WASHINGTON, SEVERAL ELEMENTS COULD PRECLUDE THE TRIP:

--BOURGES' DUTIES IN GUIDING THE 1978 DEFENSE BUDGET THROUGH THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND SENATE (THE CALENDAR OF HEARINGS, DEBATES, AND VOTES IS NOT SET).

--BOURGES' DUTIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE MARCH NATIONAL ELECTIONS, IN WHICH HE WILL BE DEFENDING HIS OWN SEAT AND CAMPAIGNING FOR THE GOVERNMENT. COMMENT: WE ASSUME THAT BOURGES WILL BE CHECKING WITH THE ELYSEE ON THE DECISION AS TO WHETHER TO ACCEPT THE  
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INVITATION AND BELIEVE THAT THIS ACCOUNTS FOR THE DELAY IN RESPONDING. END COMMENT.

3. CONTENAY CONTINUED THAT IF THE VISIT MATERIALIZES, BOURGES WILL WANT TO DISCUSS INTER ALIA THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WITH SECDEF:

--CRUISE MISSILES.

--THE "TWO-WAY STREET" IN ARMAMENTS PRODUCTION.

4. COMMENT: WE WILL REPORT FURTHER AS SOON AS A  
RESPONSE IS RECEIVED. WE NOTE THAT ONE SET OF DATES  
PROPOSED IN REF MESSAGE (28 NOV-2 DEC) COINCIDES IN  
PART WITH PRESIDENT CARTER'S VISIT TO PARIS, BUT DO NOT  
KNOW IF THIS WILL AFFECT THE BOURGES DECISION.  
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